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## Marginal Column By GEORGE LUNOV

NOT the least striking feature of Mr. Nikita Khrushchev's speech at the opening of the Communist Party's 20th Congress was its demonstration that the fundamental tenets of the Marxist-Leninist ideology are considered constant factors. What ever may have changed in the three years since Stalin's death, it was not the Communist Party's conception of political economy, which Stalin put into its modern setting in the last major work of his life, "Economic Problems of Socialism in the USSR." This work, issued on the eve of the previous party congress held in October, 1952, actually dominated its sessions although the Central Committee's report, which had been given by Stalin at all congresses since Lenin's death in 1924, was then read by Mr. Georgi Malenkov.

STALIN's study dealt, inter alia, with post-war developments and the international situation, but his observations have stuck fast. Mr. Khrushchev's address not only repeated them as axiomatic, but frequently implied that in some cases they had been prophetic. Stalin then emphasized that the most important economic development since World War Two had been the disintegration of a single world market resulting from the fact that large slices of territory and millions of people in China and Eastern Europe had joined the Soviet bloc. The economic division of the world, he said, was maintained and deepened by the West's economic blockade of these countries and their resultant rapid industrialization. Soon, he predicted, the Soviet bloc would itself begin to find foreign markets, and the capitalist world, finding its field of commercial operations shrinking, would operate more and more below capacity.

ADDRESSING the 1,600 delegates in the Kremlin on Tuesday, Mr. Khrushchev, though he did not once refer to Stalin, repeated the thesis that economic crises were inherent in the capitalist system which was, moreover, powerless to abrogate the laws of capitalism and engender them. He thus coolly thumbed his nose, as it were, at the host of Western "Soviet experts" who have maintained that this view is the inevitable result of crises in the Western world — had been officially discredited since Stalin's death.

STALIN had predicted that Germany and Japan would attempt to recover their former economic positions in the world, thus further aggravating competition. The reappearance of West Germany and Japan, said Mr. Khrushchev three years later, has particularly sharpened the situation. "Like Stalin, he underlined the competitive nature of economies of the U.S., Britain and France, and added that the main contradiction between the U.S. and Britain,

MR. Khrushchev spoke of many other aspects of the international situation, and dealt at length on domestic affairs. What appeared to be of particular importance to the West, however, was his knowledge summarized by "Pravda" on the morning of the congress. The Soviet Union, the paper said, possesses "all the necessary conditions to catch up with and surpass the most high-developed capitalist countries in per capita production." In this field the struggle is world-wide. If we win here, then we shall win on an international scale, definitely, and for all time."

Jerusalem, February 16.

## PRICE OF CERAMIC ITEMS DOWN

HAIFA, Wednesday. — The Koor company's Haifa ceramics works has reduced the prices of its products by five to ten per cent, the Koor spokesman announced today.

The lower prices were made possible by increased efficiency and improvement in production process, he stated. The reduction covers 20 articles, including kitchen sinks, soap containers, brush holders and shelves.

## BABE WALLACE NOW IN ISRAEL

Babe Wallace, famous American Negro singing star, arrived in Tel Aviv this week to star at the DAN CLUB. Babe is a native of Brooklyn, N.Y., where he started his successful international singing career. In 1937, he appeared with Lena Horne at the well-known "New York Cotton Club." In 1940, he joined the "Chick Webb Band," and in 1943 played the role of the Duke in the film "Stormy Weather."

After World War II, he settled in France, where he appeared in several nightclubs in Saint-Germain-des-Prees. At present he is a star attraction at the "Folies Bergeres," Paris.

Babe Wallace, with his fine voice has created a special vocal style of his own with a perfect sense of rhythm. He has also made records in English and French.

BABE WALLACE is now appearing nightly at the DAN CLUB, DAN HOTEL, Tel Aviv. (Advt.)

## Poujadists Battle Left Deputies in Assembly

PARIS, Wednesday (Reuter). — Fighting broke out between Poujadists and other deputies in the National Assembly today during a debate on the invalidation of Poujadist deputies. Several "shots" were fired in the gallery as others struggled to separate the combatants. Several chairs were thrown across the Chamber.

A Poujadist Deputy, M. Jean Dides, had a bloody nose, and Jean Le Pen, brother Poujadist, had his hair torn off.

The Speaker, M. Le Troquer, at once gave the order for the three to be sequestered and the public and press galleries cleared.

The session was resumed after the cause of the incident. The Speaker then adjourned the debate until tomorrow when Premier Guy Mollet is to address the House on Algeria.

The fighting broke out as votes were being counted on a proposal to invalidate the election of M. Cyprien Pajaud, Poujadist Deputy for the Haute Garonne Department. M. Jean Dides, a burly greenhorn and close associate of M. Pierre Poujad, ran to the platform from which deputies speak and tried to grab the microphone. A Socialist Deputy rushed up and the two exchanged blows.

Other Poujadists came to M. Dides' aid and fighting was soon general between Poujadists and left-wing deputies in the space between the Speaker's platform and the front benches.

About 30 others waded into the battle between about 40 Poujadists and some 100 Communists and Socialists. The two groups formed a chain between them. The two hostile groups exchanged insults over their heads. Shouts of "Fascist" mingled with cries of "Get to Moscow" and "Come and say that over here."

While the deputies fought several sharp bangs were heard from the direction of the public gallery and fighting broke out there too. The shots in the gallery came from a man "armed" with a cap pistol who suddenly shouted out, "Long live Ravachol" as the fighting broke out in the assembly. Ravachol was a well-known French anarchist who killed several people at the turn of the century.

At the entrance police station outside the parliament building the man was asked if he was an anarchist. He replied "No, I'm a Communist. It's enough to make you see."

## State Controller's Report Published in Sections

The sixth annual report by the State Controller, for the financial year ending March 1955, was tabled in the Knesset yesterday. Owing to what has been described by the Controller as "a technical hitch" only a solitary complete copy was available and presented to the Speaker, and Knesset members will receive theirs later.

The press, which usually receives copies of the report a few days ahead to enable a study to be made of the bulky document, after some wrangling received the first 23 pages (out of 380) while the remainder will be available tomorrow and on Sunday.

The most important innovation so far in this year's Report is a recommendation that a public committee be appointed to study the proper functioning of local authorities, and particularly their relationship with the central authorities and budgetary problems. A need for "far-reaching reforms" in local authorities is noted by the Controller.

In his foreword to the report, the Controller writes that there is no simple answer to the question whether there has been a general improvement in State administration, since the findings of the Controller cannot be summed up statistically.

"Like its predecessors, this report too gives details of not only shortcomings and violations of the law and of the principles of economy and efficiency. At the same time there are findings which point to encouraging improvements and basic reforms, Dr. Moses states.

He notes that the readiness of Ministers to undertake reforms has greatly increased. In particular, the more important reforms asked for in previous reports are for the most part now being carried out.

But the importance of the human factor in public administration is constantly becoming clearer, the Controller says. A radical improvement in State administration depends on the civil service personnel at least as much as on organizational and administrative reforms.

Close to 800 complaints were received from the public last year, as compared with 580 the year before. A substantial part of them dealt with both state and local taxes. Other complaints concerned delays in payments due from the Government, discrimination in the issuing of licences, and social welfare matters.

The report points out that the Controller's Office cannot deal with complaints which pertain to the individual; it can intervene only in matters of general interest or where a principle is involved. This ruling excludes, such matters, for example, as the dismissal of a civil servant or the amount of a tax assessment.

In some cases, however, a personal complaint has touched off a demand by the Controller for (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4)

## Doctor's Strike Still Stalled As Offers Rejected

Jerusalem Post Staff

The end of the Government-employed physicians' strike now in its eighth day, is still nowhere in sight. Though unofficial contact was maintained throughout the day between the Government and the strikers complete deadlock was reported on all fronts.

A state of flux was reported in strike participation, with workers returning to their jobs in some places and some newly joining the strike in others.

Various face-saving compromises were suggested yesterday in "unofficial" meetings between Government representatives and members of the Strike Coordinating Committee. The farthest the Government would go was a proposal to offer half the disputed increase in two instalments, the first in February, 1957 and the second in the latter part of 1958.

The doctors decline to discuss this proposal, or in fact any offer short of full payment of the increase. It was learned from Government sources that the difference between the opposing views now amounts to approximately 11.5 per cent per month per striker.

The strike meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Committee appointed 11 days ago to settle the strike was marked by sharp differences of opinion between the Health and Religion, Mr. Y. Barzilai and Mr. M. Shapira, put forward compromise proposals that were thought by their colleagues, Mr. L. Eshkol and Mr. G. Myerson, Ministers of Finance and Labour, to be too generous. A final agreement was reached on a proposal to offer half the disputed sum next year and the remainder in 1958.

Meanwhile, the Tel Aviv Chairman of the doctors' strike committee, Dr. Y. Shmerin, told the press yesterday that the physicians' strike was to be intensified to the maximum, and words and even entire hospitals are likely to be forced to close down. But late last night the committee was working out certain proposals which, it hoped, might open the door to a speedy settlement.

In a communique issued earlier last night, the doctors announced that no patients will be treated privately on Friday unless it is a case of a real emergency.

**Warn of Split**  
In an announcement to the press, the Histadrut Engineers' Union declared that the strike would lead to a split in the trade union movement. The union called for a speedy settlement to work and promised to do everything to see that no sanctions were applied against them.

The engineers' strike headquarters claimed last night in Tel Aviv that a large majority of Solel Boneh engineers employed in Haifa had voted to join the strikers' ranks in a secret ballot held last night. Replying to the Histadrut assertion that they were not a "spongy" trade union movement, the strikers declared that they had no such intention. They said there were 2,097 engineers in the union.

In Jerusalem, Mayor Gershon Agron called upon the striking engineers in Municipal employ to return to work. He pointed out that their sole bargaining agents were the Histadrut and the Municipal Workers' Committee, both of which were against the strike.

No change in the strike position at the University and at the Technion has been reported. The Government veto of the separate compromise proposed by the Boards of Governors. It is expected that part of the three-week strike which will have to be cancelled when studies are resumed, mainly in subjects which demand laboratory attendance.

Due to the non-appearance in the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court of the State prosecution lawyer, a 20-year-old soldier, who was charged with having caused the death of a civilian in a traffic accident, was acquitted without trial.

**KEKKONEN ELECTED  
FINNISH PRESIDENT**  
HELSINKI, Wednesday (UP). — Premier Urho Kekkonen was elected President of Finland tonight by a wide coalition of Social Democrats and anti-Communist Agrarians.

Mr. Kekkonen won by a two-vote majority on the third ballot from the Social Democratic Party leader, Mr. Karl Fagerholm.

(Reuter, UP)

## The General Federation of Jewish Labour in Israel

Union of Engineers, Architects, Agronomists  
and Chemists Central Committee

A MEETING

of engineers, architects, agronomists and chemists will be held today, February 16, 1956, at 6 p.m. SHARP, in the Conference Room of the Vaad Hapoel Building (93 Rehov Arlosoroff), Tel. Aviv.

Agenda:

Significance of the Strike

Participants:

Pinhas Sapir—Minister of Commerce and Industry  
Moshe Carmel—Minister of Transport  
Aharon Becker—M.K., Head of the Histadrut Trade Union Department

You are invited to attend this meeting.

## Snow Brings Down Adenauer's Roof

BONN, Wednesday (UP). — Deep snow on the roof of the Chancellery crashed through the ceiling of Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's office today.

The Chancellor was summoned from a Cabinet meeting, and with the help of aides hastily moved important papers to another room. Snow has fallen almost continuously in Bonn for the past week.

## 526 Dead in Europe's Three-Week Frost

LONDON, Wednesday (UP). — Europe's three-week-old cold wave claimed a total of 526 dead and 30 missing today, with no relief in sight.

New snow covered most of the Continent last night and extended over the Eastern half of Britain. Rivers froze and harbours became ice-jammed as men and machines fought to relieve the cold's attendant misery. France and Italy were hardest hit.

The list of dead by countries showed: France 129, Italy 105, Germany 58, Austria 11, Britain 39, Belgium 2, Switzerland 14, Yugoslavia 58, Denmark 23, Portugal 23, Greece 17, Sweden 15, Holland 12 and Turkey 17.

## Israel Asks \$2.7m. In Damages from Bulgaria

Israel's claim for compensation arising out of the shooting down of the El Al Constellation by Bulgarian Defence Forces was submitted on Tuesday to the Bulgarian Government by Dr. Reuven Nall, Israel Charge d'affaires in Sofia, Foreign Ministry spokesman announced yesterday.

The claim comprises compensation for the relatives of the victims, damages suffered by El Al, and by freight owners, Israeli nationals. It amounts to \$2,658,554.

At the same time information was requested concerning the identity of those responsible for the disaster and their punishment, in accordance with the provisions of the Bulgarian Government's Note Verbo of August 4, 1955.

It is understood that the claim, which is the first of its kind, will be made shortly by their countries.

## Horowitz, Noted Jerusalemite, Dead

Mr. Solomon (Shalom) Horowitz, acknowledged leader of the Palestine Bar and one of Jerusalem's most prominent citizens, collapsed suddenly in the Jerusalem University in the midst of a discussion on Hebrew University matters with a member of the staff in the University's Administration Offices. He was 75.

The funeral will take place this morning at the Sanhedria Cemetery. The funeral procession will leave from Beit Shalom in Talbich Quarter at 11.30 a.m.

Mr. Horowitz was educated at the Manchester Grammar School and at St. John's College, Cambridge, where he took his degree with honours in Classics, Modern Philosophy and Law. He was called to the English Bar at the Inner Temple in 1907, and practised Common Law in Manchester until 1922.

In 1922 he settled in Jerusalem where he joined Mr. Harry Sacher's law office, which he subsequently took over, and soon won a countrywide reputation as an outstanding member of the legal profession and as a jurist of note. In the course of his practice, he did much to raise the standards of the profession by training many promising young lawyers.

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## West Ready to Act On Own Initiative in M.E.

By GEORGE LICHTHEIM, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON, Wednesday. — Following a day of confusion, the official position here now is that the Western powers are prepared to intervene in the Middle East with or without the consent of the countries concerned.

That, anyhow, is the interpretation put up by Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden's statement yesterday, which reaffirmed the original Tripartite Declaration that the three powers would "immediately" take action to prevent a violation of the Armistice Lines. A few hours earlier, when Sir Anthony, Chief Foreign Office spokesman, had told a crowded press conference that the Soviet Government was something new to the U.N. Charter. His statement said, "There has been no question of sending forces to the Middle East countries without their consent."

Since there is no reference in the Tripartite Declaration to the consent of the countries concerned, the Foreign Office statement was interpreted by some correspondents as adding something new to the declaration, and for some hours confusion reigned.

Meanwhile, experienced observers quietly took the line that the statement probably meant nothing at all. This interpretation was proved correct a few hours later when Sir Anthony, in reply to Mr. Hugh Gaittelli, the Labour leader, and other questioners, made it plain that although they have not said so in the Washington declaration, the Western powers do in fact propose to act exactly as they think fit, with or without the consent of any country in the area.

**Piece of Verbiage**  
Since this is precisely what was unofficially understood before Moscow came in with its warning, yesterday's Foreign Office statement thus reduces itself to a piece of verbiage. Its only significance would seem to lie in the distinction between frontiers and armistice lines, or rather in the equivalent employment of both terms, from which anyone is free to infer that they mean the same or different things. This point of verbiage was the only one of opposition questioned in the Commons yesterday afternoon, who concentrated their efforts on trying to discover whether the proposed Western intervention is to have a preventive character or to occur after aggression has been committed. Sir Anthony left Mr. Emanuel Shinwell in doubt on this point, very likely because he is himself doubtful. In the light of the Washington talks, what if anything will be done if the pot boils over.

**Gaza Guns Open up On  
Israel-Bound Ship**  
GAZA, Wednesday (Reuter). — Egyptian shore batteries opened fire today on a 2,000-ton Norwegian freighter bound for Israel which entered Egyptian territorial waters off Gaza.

The ship had stopped about 2 1/2 kms. off shore.

The vessel which was not damaged, was allowed to proceed after five hours. Investigations showed that the ship was bound for Jaffa to pick up oranges for Europe and had lost her bearings in heavy seas and fog.

The ship's name was withheld.

## ARMY PATROL FIRED ON NEAR BE'ERI

An Egyptian position opened fire yesterday afternoon on an Israeli patrol in the Be'eri sector, near the Gaza Strip, the Army spokesman announced yesterday. The Israeli soldiers, who suffered no casualties, returned the fire.

## The National Committee of Kupat Holim Doctors

hereby announces that it stands together with the Israel Medical Association, the physicians' professional organization, which is the only body entitled to call off the strike.

All notices in the press and on the radio announcing the date of the return to work of all doctors who are Histadrut members have been issued on the initiative of a small group of doctors who were not authorized to do so.

## To the Striking Engineers!

We repeat our appeal to members who are striking: Return to work immediately!

You have announced that the proposals for the payment of the delayed increases offer a basis for ending the strike.

Why then continue to strike?

The majority of engineers who continued at work are distressed and resentful over the casting off of discipline in the ranks of the organization, and the breach in solidarity caused by the continued strike without any purpose or reason. The senior administrative officials have not joined this unhappy strike. Why do you continue to be led by the political aspirations of the Medical Association?

Call off the strike! Return to work!

Union of Engineers, Architects, Agronomists and Chemists

## Syria Attempting To Rally Arabs Against Israel

President Shukri Kuwaty of Syria yesterday appealed to all political parties and parliamentary blocs to unite in facing what he called increasing danger to Syria from Israel.

In a message read to parliament during a discussion on defence, he asked deputies to drop their party differences temporarily so that they could "face the judgment of history courageously and with a tranquil conscience."

Kuwaty said he was prepared unconditionally to carry out any decisions of parliament which might make in the interests of national unity. It is believed in Damascus that the Syrian Government may ask for the present session of parliament to be declared a "closed meeting" because of the importance of some of the matters which may be discussed.

Government leaders are expected to reveal to deputies information said to show "aggressive preparations" by Israel and to describe defence preparations which Syria is making jointly with her Arab allies — Egypt and Saudi Arabia.

## Mission to Iraq

In Baghdad, a Syrian Legation spokesman said a Syrian Parliamentary mission is due in Iraq next week to clear up misunderstandings between the Arab countries and to decide on a unified policy against "increasing Israeli dangers," a Syrian Legation spokesman said today.

According to a NEABS report from Beirut, Lebanese Foreign Minister Salim Lahoud announced to the press that the Syrian Premier, Said Ghazi, will arrive in the Lebanese capital on Friday for talks on joint Syrian-Lebanese reaction to the expected Israeli aggression on the Jordan River.

Meanwhile, an official communique has been issued in Damascus denying reports appearing in the Lebanese press, alleging that the Syrian Premier, Said el Ghazi, had said that the Arab states had withdrawn their offer of financial aid to Jordan to replace the annual British grant.

(Reuter, UP)

## West Resumes Talks On Mid-East Crisis

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Britain, France and the U.S. today resumed their consultations here on the Middle East.

Ignoring the Soviet Union's warning against possible allied action in the Middle East, representatives of the Western Big 3 went ahead with joint planning of action which might be taken if renewed warfare broke out between Israel and the Arab states. The consultation was generally recognized as an attempt to put "teeth" into the 1950 Tripartite Declaration guaranteeing the existing frontiers and Armistice Lines between Israel and the Arab states.

## The Members and Staff

S. Horowitz & Co. Yacov Salomon, Lipschultz & Co.

deeply mourn the passing away of

## Shalom Horowitz

their revered Master and Guide.

We announce with deep sorrow the passing away of our beloved friend

## Shalom Horowitz

The funeral procession will leave his home "Beit Shalom," 30 Ahad Ha'am, Talbich, Jerusalem, today, February 16, 1956, at 11.30 a.m.

Yacov Salomon  
Avraham Levin,  
Mehem Salomon  
and Families,

## The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

announces with deep sorrow the sudden death of

## Shalom Horowitz

a member of its Board of Governors and of its Executive Council

The funeral will take place this morning at the Sanhedria Cemetery. The funeral procession will leave from the home of the deceased, Beit Shalom, 30 Rehov Ahad Ha'am, Talbich, Jerusalem, at 11.30 o'clock.







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## Today's Postbag

### THE WEATHER

OUTLOOK: cloudy to partly cloudy

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Tiberias	20	14	20	21
Haifa Port	21	15	19	19
Na'an	24	16	19	19
Tel Aviv Kirya	26	18	19	20
Tel Aviv Port	26	18	19	20
Lydda Airport	26	18	19	20
Jerusalem	28	11	14	14
Beerseba	28	11	14	14
Eilat	24	20	28	28

(A) Humidity at 2 a.m. (B) Minimum temp. (C) Maximum yesterday (D) Maximum today expected today

**A COMPETITION** for the title of "The Safest Driver" of the Jerusalem District was announced recently by the National Council for Accident Prevention. Drivers may register until April 30, between 8:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., with Mr. M. Horowitz, "Hashahalia" Office, 14 Bezalet St., telephone numbers 5909 and 3149.

**THE WHITE LINE** in the middle of Negev roads will be painted by a machine acquired from the U.S. by the Public Works Department. The first of its kind in the country, the machine will cover 500 metres a day compared to the 20 metres covered by a man working an eight-hour shift.

**THE FORTNIGHTLY** convoy went up to Mt. Scopus yesterday with supplies of food and fuel, accompanied by Hebrew University and Haganah personnel.

**FOR STEALING** 11½ from a fellow porter, Emil Merman, 23, of Jerusalem was yesterday sentenced to a six-month suspended sentence by the Jerusalem Magistrate.

**A SPECIAL POSTAL** agency is to be opened in Beit Hahabiah in Tel Aviv on Friday on the occasion of the Eighth Convention of the Histadrut. The post office will operate from 12:30 to 5 p.m. daily.

**SPRAYING** OF the railway tracks between Haifa and Ben-Gurion with a poisonous weed-killer will begin this week-end. Livestock owners are warned to keep their animals away from the danger area.

**A THIRD** passenger railcar set arrived from Germany yesterday. Seven are yet to come. Each set consists of three sections. They will be put on the runs to Jerusalem and Rehovot.

**FILMS, FLASH BULBS,** fountain pens and a curtain were stolen on Tuesday night from the study of Prof. M. Carmel. The goods are valued at IL400.

**FOR NOT INFORMING** the regional work inspector about the building of an old-age home in Rishon LeZion, a Tel Aviv construction company, Palroad, was recently fined IL400 by Magistrate Moshele. The company had fined IL400 for not announcing construction work in Beit Dagon.

**BEERSHEBA** HAS been feeling a severe vegetable shortage for two weeks. Green peppers cost 900 pruta a kilogramme, tomatoes 600 pruta. Potatoes are available only on the black market.

**IL15M. MORE** IN CIRCULATION  
Currency in circulation increased this week by IL2,800,000 to IL19,000,000. There was no change in Treasury Bills, the total increase being in foreign currency.

## Concert Hall in Your Home

**TEL AVIV, Wednesday.** — A "three-dimensional" sound reproduction system was today demonstrated to the press for the first time at the Amron radio factory near Herzliya. Mr. Shimon Shimon, director of Amron, said that the equipment would be produced as a separate unit which could be attached to any radio or record player. It would be manufactured later as part of a special Amron radio.

"Sonorama" separates the sounds and channels them into three loudspeakers reproducing bass, medium and alto respectively, giving the illusion of listening to a live performance in a concert hall.

Mr. Elman revealed that a four-valve superheterodyne Amron "popular" radio would be on the market in a few weeks. The medium-wave receiver was capable of very selective tuning and was built into an attractive wooden cabinet. Priced at below IL100 it was being produced at the request of the Ministry of

## Prospects for Oil at Holutza As 'Heletz' Rock Found at 4,100 ft.

**REHOVOT, Wednesday.** — Hopes of finding oil soon in the Holutza drilling of the Bentcliffe Israel American Oil Corporation were expressed this evening after the drill had reached rock strata similar to those at Heletz One. The bit has reached 4,100 feet.

Holutza is some 20 kilometres southwest of Beersheba. Preparations are being made on the site for a strike, and drilling is proceeding carefully, with tests made regularly. A layer of sand has been reached, promising oil in the oil. In the first well, the bit struck oil at a depth of 300 feet deeper. For the past few days progress has been slow, through hard rock, but today the bit began moving more quickly as what is expected to be oil-bearing sand was approached.

**North and South**  
The Pan-Israel Oil Company will shortly begin drilling south of Heletz, according to a spokesman today. The company told The Jerusalem Post today. The company drilled to a depth of 9,000 feet without success. Near Heletz, the company has begun to replace its equipment and will use a drill capable of boring to 10,000 feet. Drilling is also being conducted at Kfar Menahem, and Kedma, and there are test drillings near Faluja. The Pontiac Petroleum Company, which has been drilling two kilometres east of Beersheba on the Negev road.

**CROSSING WATER WITHOUT BRIDGES**  
**SOMEWHERE IN ISRAEL, Wednesday.** — The Engineers Corps today demonstrated to army officers how waterways are crossed without bridges. The two kilometre East of Beersheba on the Negev road.

Aluf Moshe Zadok, O.C. Northern Command, and Aluf Zvi Ayalon, retiring O.C. Central Command, were among those present at the demonstration which took place at one of the widest water courses in the country.

First a Kapok footbridge was assembled across the stream and soldiers — including a group of cadets of military schools — crossed it in both directions, then a trestle bridge for light cars was laid across a pontoon bridge made of collapsible assault boats. A landing craft, constructed from parts of collapsible craft, was also shown, crossing the bridge by bridge.

**To Increase Local Wheat Yield to Half the Need**  
The Agricultural Research Station in Rehovot is undertaking intensive studies to increase local production of wheat to 50 per cent of the country's needs, Mr. Ya'acov Mendel, of the Station, said yesterday.

The studies are in three separate fields: increasing the area under cultivation, introducing partial irrigation methods in the Negev and better crop rotation using new types of wheat.

By reducing the area of barley under cultivation from 800,000 to 500,000 dunams, the output of wheat was raised from 20,000 to 50,000 tons. Experts believe that wheat should constitute 80 per cent of all grain crops. This would increase wheat tonnage to 80,000 tons.

Due to the local climate, a yield of 175 kilograms a dunam is considered good, compared with yields of 200-300 kgs. in northern Europe.

If local output can be raised to an average of 175 kgs. a dunam, Israel can provide 80 per cent of its wheat needs. If other crops, such as corn, barley and sweet potatoes are mixed with wheat, Israel can produce 80 per cent of her flour needs.

**CHINESE TRADE GROUP DUE IN CAIRO**  
A Chinese trade mission, headed by the Minister of Commerce, is to arrive in Cairo next week for talks on the renewal of an agreement whereby China will purchase Egyptian cotton, ANA said yesterday.

Commerce and Industry, the spokesman said. Electronic instruments made in an exceptionally powerful instrument, capable of receiving at least 200 European and Middle Eastern stations, he claimed.

The inventor of "Sonorama" patented his idea in France before the Second World War. As these patents became invalid during the war, the American Public Manufacturers used the invention for the production of "Phonorama" — three-dimensional sound — further improvements.

Apart from radio receivers, the factory is now turning out electronic parts which had hitherto been imported. A "trimmer" condenser made according to a demand abroad.

The plant employs 22 engineers and technicians and about 70 other workers. Many of the women employed come from the nearby "horot" and learned complicated work in a very short time, Mr. Elman said.

**NEW POST OFFICE FOR BEERSHEBA**  
BEERSHEBA, Wednesday. — Building is to begin in April on a telephone exchange and central post office in the new civic centre here, the Postmaster-General, Mr. H. Ben-Menahem, told The Jerusalem Post today.

Mr. Ben-Menahem said that the telephone cable from Tel Aviv would be completed within a few months and the automatic telephone exchange would be operating within a year.

## Police Check Books Of Water Co., Lapidot

**TEL AVIV, Wednesday.** — The police are investigating suspected irregularities in the accounts of the Lapidot Water Co., the local water works, it was reported here today.

Although the police refused to reveal details of the investigation, company sources said that a routine check of the accounts in January had shown irregularities. Some 10 days ago, the company called the police and a chartered accountant to check the books.

It is not known whether there has been embezzlement or whether merely technical mistakes had been made. Police and accountant reports are expected within the next few days.

Meanwhile, the Lapidot Oil Company asked the police to investigate suspected embezzlement of company funds, it was learned from the Criminal Investigation Department. It was revealed yesterday that the secretary of the company, Mr. Shalom Ron, had had a nervous breakdown and is in hospital.

**Argentine Envoy Meets the Press**  
TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The Government and the people of Argentina have a sympathetic interest in Israel, the Argentine Ambassador, Dr. G. Topolovsky, said on meeting the press today.

Last year's revolution in his country took a long time to prepare, the Ambassador said, and was effected by the people with the best elements in the army. Quoting the Argentine press, he said the press the largest possible freedom.

**CARMEL VISITS SOUTH AMERICANS**  
The Minister of Transport, Mr. Moshe Carmel, yesterday visited a group of South American students and settlers in the settlements of Metalfim, Kfar Saba and Kfar Arzif.

At Kfar Saba, he promised his Ministry's help in obtaining spare parts for the local half-bearing plant if it can turn out a quality product to meet local needs.

**RAMATI MAY DIRECT JERUSALEM ECONOMY**  
The appointment of Mr. Yohanan Ramati as director of the proposed Department of Economic and Tourism Development in the Jerusalem Municipality was discussed at a recent meeting of the Municipal Executive.

The appointment, which was approved by the Council, which has already agreed to set up the Department. Mr. Ramati was formerly director of the Government Glass and Koolin Company.

**GEN. SHUKERIN INSPECTS EGYPT-ISRAEL BORDER**  
General Shuker, Egyptian Chief of Staff, inspected the Israel-Egyptian Armistice lines from the air on Tuesday afternoon. ANA reported last night after a three-day visit to the border.

**CONTROLLER**  
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A general change in procedure, arrangements have been made for dealing with cases where a suspicion of a criminal act arises in the course of an investigation by the Controller's Office.

The Controller's Office must notify the Legal Adviser of the Office, and the latter will inform the Attorney General of the police.

An amendment to the State Controller's Law was proposed to the Knesset yesterday by Dr. Ben-Zur (Herut) in a motion for the agenda. It would make the Controller responsible to a special Knesset committee.

Instead of the Finance Committee as at present, to which the Controller would submit a report at least once a month when the Knesset is in session.

It would also require that the Controller's annual report be submitted to the Finance Minister and to the committee on the same date and would authorize the publication of the report submitted by the Controller to the committee.

Mr. Ben-Zur, a Herut member, said that during the Arab riots in 1929 he served, together with Messrs. S. Hosen and L. Braude, on a committee appointed temporarily to represent and act for the Zionist Executive, whose members were then attending the Zionist Congress in Zurich, which the Jewish Agency was established.

He also appeared as one of the counsel of the Jewish Agency at the hearing held by the Foreign Ministry in London to investigate the causes of the disturbances of 1929.

Interest in higher education led Mr. Horowitz to take a prominent part in the affairs of the Hebrew University for over 20 years. He was a member of the University's Board of Governors, and its Executive Committee, and its responsible for the day-by-day administration, on all of which he was active up to the last.

In fact, he attended a meeting of the Executive Council in which he participated with his usual vigor and alertness, and his presence yesterday in the University's Administration offices, where he died, was for the express purpose of dealing with outstanding matters. In 1951 he spent several months in the U.S. on an important mission for the University.

Mr. Horowitz's keen intellect and marked powers of analysis, combined with his courage and integrity, earned him the deep respect of all who came in contact with him. They were qualities which enabled him to make a particularly valuable contribution to the running of the University.

As chairman of the University's Legal Committee he rendered its outstanding services. He was Chairman of the

## Premier Says Toubi Exploits Immunity

**Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter**  
The report of the committee studying military rule will be submitted next week, the Prime Minister told the Knesset yesterday.

Mr. Ben-Gurion was replying to a motion for the agenda by Mr. Toubi (Communist) calling for a debate on the freedom of movement into and out of districts under military rule. The motion was rejected, receiving only Communist support.

Mr. Toubi charged that security demands were used as an excuse for curtailing the Arab freedom of movement. He cited instances where travel permits had been denied, and said that the Arab minority would not continue to accept a status of "second-class citizens."

The Prime Minister moved that the motion be struck from the agenda in view of the fact that the committee's report would soon be submitted to the Knesset.

But in a sharp retort, he called "treason" Mr. Toubi's charge that the Government intended to appropriate the land of 14 Arab villages. Mr. Toubi certainly knew to what use such charges would be put, he said.

Through a series of "savings" stations of the Arab State, which daily call on the Arab peoples to destroy Israel.

Mr. Toubi was going too far in exploiting his parliamentary immunity, Ben-Gurion declared. (Mr. Wilner: "Is that a threat?") There must be a limit to what a Knesset Member permits himself to say under the mask of Arab-Jewish unity, the Prime Minister said.

**Missions and Mekorot**  
Rabbi Z. Ben-Ya'acov (Agudat Yisrael) raised the question of missionary activity. But he agreed to Mr. Ben-Gurion's suggestion that the Government Committee together with the public committee already in existence would be more effective than a Knesset debate.

A motion by Mr. I. Rokach (General Zionist) calling for a debate on the purchase of oil stock by Mekorot was defeated by a vote of 28-17. The minority consisted of Herut and the General Zionists.

## 80% of Arab Accounts Freed

**By GIDEON WEIGERT**  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
More than 80 per cent of the estimated 13m. in blocked Arab accounts in Israel banks have already been freed. The release of these funds was begun in December, 1954.

By the middle of February, the amount paid over was 22,500,000. A breakdown shows that: January: 11,100,000; February: 11,400,000; March: 10,000,000; April: 10,000,000; May: 10,000,000; June: 10,000,000; July: 10,000,000; August: 10,000,000; September: 10,000,000; October: 10,000,000; November: 10,000,000; December: 10,000,000.

When the scheme began, there were 143 safety deposit boxes registered in the names of Arab refugees. Of this number, 113m. in 94 have been turned over to the U.N. which transferred them to the owners. Of the 1,134 funds deposited with the U.N., 974 applications have been received.

So far, 21 parcels and 197 pouches with Palestine Bearer Bonds and 155 pouches with other certificates and documents have been released.

**HAIR.** — A coroner's jury in Halifax, England, ruled yesterday that the death of a 17-year-old boy was caused by a beam in his home because he feared that he was going bald.

## HOROWITZ

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graduates in his own office. He returned from active work at the Bar in 1940.

Mr. Horowitz served as legal adviser to Haim Arlosoroff and Pinhas Rutenberg, founder of the Palestine Electric Corp.

His keen devotion to the public welfare and his love of the fine arts found expression through the years in numerous activities. In public affairs, it may be noted that, during the Arab riots in 1929 he served, together with Messrs. S. Hosen and L. Braude, on a committee appointed temporarily to represent and act for the Zionist Executive, whose members were then attending the Zionist Congress in Zurich, which the Jewish Agency was established.

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**Arms Fund campaign** in Jerusalem was spurred on this week when the reality of war in the form of a 155 mm. cannon and a light tank were put on show in King George Avenue near the Histadrut building. The gun and tank have been drawing large crowds all week.

## BUILDING WORKERS DEMAND MORE JOBS

**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — With 19 per cent of building workers unemployed, the Government must renew its building programme, Mr. H. Fleckler, Secretary of the Builders' Union, today told a special Union conference on the employment situation. Some 28,000 building workers were now employed, with 600 out of work, and 1,500 in allied trades not accounted for.

Restrictions, however, must be at the expense of training immigrants. Continuing with his demands, Mr. Fleckler said that work on the "Homes Through Savings" scheme should begin now and not wait till 1957. The equipment for quarries to be purchased from reparations should be brought in now.

Mr. Y. Haskin, Treasurer of the Histadrut, urged that the entire Union's insurance fund be made available to fight unemployment. The conference is to continue tomorrow.

## 121 Families Arrive From North Africa

**HAIFA, Wednesday.** — The rapid rate of immigration from North Africa continues. In the last 24 hours, 121 families, consisting of 558 persons, arrived this morning, and another 800 newcomers are due in the s.s. Jerusalem on Sunday.

Today's arrivals left for such development centres as Zarnuash, Kiryat Shmona, Migdal Ashkelon, Kibbutz, and others. Next Sunday, the first 40 immigrant families will be sent to Eilat, probably by air. Homes and jobs are awaiting them.

## ELAT'S BIRTHDAY DELAYED A WEEK

**BEERSHEBA, Wednesday.** — The seventh anniversary of the liberation of Eilat will be celebrated on the 25th and 26th of this month, instead of next Tuesday and Wednesday, it was reported here today. The delay is caused by the absence in the South of France of Mr. Hanoch Nemer, Chairman of the Local Council, who is accompanying a group of 50 North Africans who are to settle in Eilat.

They will be flown straight from the ship and employed in the nearby Timna copper mines. The two-day celebrations will include a military parade, a display of local achievements, concerts and sports events.

## Russia Said Planning Jewish Purge Trials

**The Associated Press** reports from Berlin, quoting Eastern sources, that the second step in Russia's drive to penetrate the Middle East is preparation by the secret police of purge trials of Jews in the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia. The first move was the sale of arms to Egypt by Czechoslovakia last summer.

The Soviet move is said to be designed to discredit pro-Israel elements inside the Communist Party in order to bolster Russian prestige in the Arab world. A Communist source has confessed Israeli charges that hundreds of Jews are in prison on a general charge of "Zionism" and are to go on trial next month in Moscow, and in Prague shortly after.

According to both Communist and Israeli sources, the Russian courts will set out to prove that certain Jews, some of them highly placed in Soviet affairs, worked for the creation of the State of Israel against Communist interests.

An Israeli living in Prague said that half of the city's 6,000 Jews are at present in jail. The trials are seen there as an aftermath of the Slansky affair in 1952. Czech authorities are expected to bring out that Slansky's crime was not the vague "Titoism" for which he was executed, but "Zionism," a loyalty to a cause other than Communism and therefore treasonable.

Similar anti-Jewish cases may be prepared in Hungary and Rumania, it was said. The trials are reported to have advised Moscow through Cominform channels that the entire campaign is a mistake.

## Cables in Brief

**STORM.** — Millions of dollars worth of damage was caused and at least one person was drowned when a flash flood yesterday struck the business centre of Hot Springs, Arkansas, a holiday resort now crowded with tourists.

**PROFESSOR.** — Dr. John Franklin, a Negro history professor, will head the Department of Negro Studies, New York. He is the first Negro chosen to become chairman of an academic department in any of New York's municipal colleges.

**MCCARTHY.** — A \$100,000 damage suit brought five years ago by the Washington columnist, Drew Pearson, against Senator Joseph McCarthy and others has been dropped by agreement among their lawyers, who declined to say whether there was a cash settlement.

## DAN BUSES TRY NEW LOOKS

**TEL AVIV, Wednesday.** — Much public comment has been aroused by the new dress of Dan buses. Their yellow, beige, and yellow and green, are experimental, and a five-man public committee is to decide, shortly, on the basis of public opinion, which is the most suitable colour for the whole fleet.

The new coats will be locally-made synthetic enamel paint, on the advice of Mr. R. J. Glascock, bus transport adviser of U.S.O.M. "The new look costs no more and takes off some years," he said. The synthetic enamel paint keeps the surface glossy for three to five years and is easier to clean.

The first dozen of the 94 Royal Tiger Leyland buses to supplement the Dan fleet are to arrive in Haifa on Friday on the s.s. Prince Tudor.

## GEZA ANDA ONLY PIANO RECITAL IN TEL AVIV

**SATURDAY, Feb. 18, at 8:30**  
"Onel Shem" Hall  
Tickets are available at the I.P.O. Office, 54 Allenby Rd., 11-2, 4-6  
Tickets bought for the Feb. 18 Recital which did not take place, will be honoured on Feb. 18

## ONLY PIANO RECITAL IN HAIFA

**WEDNESDAY, Feb. 22, at 9:30**  
"PEER" Hall  
Tickets are available at Ginzburg-Yuvall Office, 26 Rehov Herzl  
THE PROGRAMME includes works by Beethoven, Schumann, Bartok, Brahms

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## Marginal Column

By GEORGE LEONOFF

NOT the least striking feature of Mr. Nikita Khrushchev's speech at the opening of the Communist Party's 20th Congress was its demonstration that the fundamental tenets of the Marxist-Leninist economic and social order have changed in the three years since Stalin's death. It was not the Communist Party's concept of political economy which Stalin put into its modern setting in the last major work of his life, "Economic Problems of Socialism in the USSR," but the work of the party congress held in October, 1952, actually dominated its sessions although the Central Committee's report, which had been given by Stalin at all congresses since Lenin's death in 1924, was then read by Mr. Georgi Malenkov.

STALIN'S study dealt, after all, with post-war developments and the international situation, but his observations have stuck fast. Mr. Khrushchev's address, however, was not so much a report, but frequently implied that in some cases they had been prophetic. Stalin then emphasized that the most important economic development since World War Two had been the disintegration of a single world market resulting from the fact that large areas of territory and millions of people in China and Eastern Europe had joined the Soviet bloc. The economic division of the world, he said, was maintained and consolidated by the West's economic blockade of these countries and their resultant rapid industrialization. Soon, he predicted, the Soviet bloc would itself need to find foreign markets, and the capitalist world, finding its field of commercial operations shrinking, would operate more and more below capacity.

ADDRESSING the 1,600 delegates in the Kremlin on Tuesday, Mr. Khrushchev, though he did not once refer to Stalin, repeated the thesis that economic crises were inherent in the capitalist system which was, moreover, powerless to abrogate the laws of capitalist economy. He thundered then, he thus coolly thumbed his nose, as it were, at the host of Western "Soviet experts" who have maintained that this view — the inevitability of crises in the Western world — had been officially discredited since Stalin's death.

STALIN had predicted that Germany and Japan would attempt to recover their former economic positions in the world, thus further aggravating competition. The reappearance of West Germany and Japan, said Mr. Khrushchev three years later, "has particularly sharpened the situation." Like Stalin, he underlined the competitive nature of economies of the U.S., Britain and France, and added that the main contradiction is between the U.S. and Britain.

MR. Khrushchev spoke of material aspects of the international situation, and at length on domestic affairs. What appeared to be of particular importance to the West, however, was knowingly summarized by "Fravda" on the morning of the congress. The Soviet Union, the paper said, possesses "all the necessary conditions to catch up with and surpass the most highly developed capitalist countries in per capita production." In this field the struggle is world-wide. If we win here, then we shall win on an international scale, definitely, and for all time.

Jerusalem, February 16.

## PRICE OF CERAMIC ITEMS DOWN

HAIFA, Wednesday. — The Koor company's Hara ceramic works has reduced the prices of its products by five to ten per cent, the Koor spokesman announced today.

The lower prices were made possible by increased efficiency and improvement in production process, he stated. The reduction covers 20 articles, including kitchen sinks, soap containers, brush holders and shelves.

## BABE WALLACE NOW IN ISRAEL

Babe Wallace, famous American Negro singing star, arrived in Tel Aviv this week to star at the DAN CLUB. Babe is a native of Brooklyn, N.Y., where he started his successful international singing career. In 1937, he appeared with Lena Horne at the well-known "New York Cotton Club." In 1940, he joined the "Cotton Club Band," and in 1943 played the role of the singer, Chick Bailey, in the film "Stormy Weather."

After World War II, Babe Wallace was settled in France, where he appeared in several nightclubs in Paris.

Germaine-de-Paris. At present he is a star attraction at the "Folies Bergeres," Paris.

Babe Wallace, with his fine voice has created a special style of his own, with a perfect sense of rhythm. He has also made records in English and French.

BABE WALLACE is now appearing at the DAN CLUB, DAN HOTEL, Tel Aviv. (Advt.)

## Poujadists Battle Left Deputies in Assembly

PARIS, Wednesday (Reuter). — Fighting broke out between Poujadists and other Deputies in the National Assembly today. Several "shots" were fired in the gallery as ushers struggled to separate the combatants. Several chairs were thrown across the Chamber.

A Poujadist Deputy, M. Jean Dides, had a bloody nose, and M. Jean le Pen, brother Poujadist, had his hair torn off.

The Speaker, M. Le Troquer, at once gave the order for the sires to be mounded and the public and press galleries cleared.

The session was resumed after order was restored and M. Le Troquer announced that M. Damasio had apologized for being the cause of the incident. The Speaker then adjourned the session until tomorrow, when Premier Guy Mollet is to address the House on Algeria.

The fighting broke out as voting was about to begin on a proposal to invalidate the election of M. Cyprien Camille, Poujadist Deputy for the Haute Garonne Department. M. Jean Damasio, a burly green-robed and close associate of M. Pierre Poujade, ran to the platform from which Deputies speak and tried to grab the microphone. A Socialist Deputy rushed up and the two exchanged blows.

Other Poujadists came to M. Damasio's aid and fighting was soon general between Poujadists and left-wing Deputies in the space between the Speaker's tribune and the front benches.

About 20 ushers waded into the battle between about 40 Poujadists and some 150 Communists and Socialists. They succeeded in separating the two groups and formed a chain between them. The two hostile groups exchanged insults over their heads. Shouts of "Fascist" mingled with cries of "Get to Moscow" and "Come and say that over here."

While the deputies fought several sharp bangs were heard from the direction of the public gallery and fighting broke out there too. The shots in the gallery came from a man "armed" with a cap pistol who suddenly shouted out, "Long live Ravachol!" in the Assembly. Ravachol is a well-known French anarchist who killed several people at the turn of the century by throwing bombs.

At the nearest police station outside the parliament building the man was asked if he was an anarchist. He replied, "No, but seeing this is enough to make you one."

## State Controller's Report Published in Sections

The sixth annual report by the State Controller, for the financial year ending March 1955, was tabled in the Knesset yesterday. Owing to what has been described by the Controller as a "technical hitch" only a solitary complete copy was available and presented to the Speaker, and Knesset members will receive theirs later.

The press, which usually receives copies of the report a few days ahead, to enable a study to be made of the bulky document, after some wrangling received the first 23 pages (out of 360), while the remainder will be available tomorrow and on Sunday.

The most important innovation so far in this year's report is a recommendation that a public committee be appointed to study the proper functioning of local authorities, and particularly their relationship with the central authorities and budgetary problems. A need for "far-reaching reforms" in local authorities is noted by the Controller.

In his foreword to the report, the Controller writes that there is no simple answer to the question whether there has been a general improvement in the State administration, since the findings of the Controller cannot be summed up statistically.

"Like its predecessors, this report too gives details of not a few cases of considerable weight, of shortcomings and violations of the law and of the principles of economy and efficiency." At the same time there are findings which point to encouraging improvements and basic reforms, Dr. Moses states.

He notes that the readiness of Ministries to undertake reforms has greatly increased. In particular, the more important reforms carried out in previous years for the most part now being carried out.

But the importance of the human factor in public administration is constantly becoming clearer, the Controller says. A radical improvement in State administration depends on the civil service personnel at least as much on organizational and administrative reforms.

Close to 800 complaints were received from the public last year, as compared with 560 the year before. A substantial part of them dealt with both state and local taxes. Other complaints concerned delays in payments from the Government, discrimination in the issuing of licenses, and social welfare matters.

The report points out that the Controller's Office cannot deal with complaints which pertain to the individual; it can intervene only in matters of general interest or where a principle is involved. This ruling excludes, for example, the dismissal of a civil servant or the amount of a tax assessment.

In some cases, however, a personal complaint has touched off a demand by the Controller for

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## Strikers Have 'Concrete Offer' For Government

Jerusalem Post Staff

The Coordinating Committee of the striking doctors, professional workers and engineers announced in Jerusalem at 1 o'clock this morning that it had prepared "a concrete proposal" for ending the strike and that it would present them to the Ministerial Committee appointed to deal with the strike.

During the ninth day of the strike yesterday, deadlock was reported on all fronts, although contact between the strikers and the Government was maintained.

A state of flux was reported in strike participation with workers returning to their jobs in some places and some newly joining the strike in others.

Various face-saving compromises were suggested yesterday in "unofficial" meetings between Government representatives and members of the Strike Coordinating Committee. The farthest the Government would go was a proposal to the disputed 40 per cent of the increase in two instalments the first in February, 1957 and the second in the latter part of 1958.

It was later learned from Government sources that the difference between the opposing views now amounts to approximately IL15 a month per striker. The first meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Committee appointed 11 days ago to settle the strike was marked by sharp differences of opinion. The Ministers of Health and Religion, Mr. Y. Barzilai and Mr. M. Shapiro, put forward compromise proposals that were thought by their colleagues, Mr. E. Eshkol and Mr. G. Meir, Ministers of Finance and Labour, to be too extensive. Final agreement was reached on a proposal to increase the sum next year and the remainder in 1958.

Meanwhile, the Tel Aviv Chairman of the doctors' strike committee, Dr. Y. Shmeria, told the press yesterday that the physicians' strike was to be intensified to the maximum, and wards and even entire hospitals are likely to be forced to close down. But last night the committee was working out certain proposals which, it hoped, might open the door to a speedy settlement.

In a communication issued earlier last night, the doctors announced that no patients will be treated privately on Friday unless it is a case of a real emergency.

In an announcement to the press, the Histadrut Engineers Union declared that the strike would be extended to the Histadrut union movement. The union called upon the engineers to return to work and promised to do everything to end the strike. The engineers' strike headquarters claimed last night in Tel Aviv that a large number of Solid Boneh engineers employed in Haifa had voted to rejoin the strikers' ranks in a secret ballot last night. Replying to the Histadrut assertion that they were sabotaging the trade union movement, the strikers declared that they had no such intention. They said there were 2,627 engineers out on strike.

In Jerusalem, Mayor Gershon Agron called upon the striking engineers to return to work immediately to work. He pointed out that their sole bargaining agents were the Histadrut and the Ministry of Health, both of which were flat against the strike.

No change in the strike position at the University and at the Histadrut has been reported following the Government veto of the separate compromise proposed by the Boards of Government.

A closed session of Parliament will be held on Monday to hear a report from Prime Minister Samir Rifai on his recent tour of Arab capitals.

In Cairo, meanwhile, an explanation from Jordan for a continued anti-Egyptian campaign there was demanded last night by Colonel Abdul Kader Halim, chief of Egypt's Propaganda Department. He complained that while Premier Rifai was making formal comments in Amman on the success of his talks in Cairo and Riadh, the Jordan Radio was continuing its "prejudiced campaign" against Egypt.

(Reuter, UP)

## 140 Still Held For Rioting in Jordan

AMMAN, Wednesday. — The Jordan Minister of Defence, Fakh al-Madadha, announced today in the House of Representatives that the Government detained 173 persons during last month's riots in Jordan. All have been released, except 73 charged with Communism, and another 47 accused of taking part in subversive activities.

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(Reuter, UP)

## KEKKONEN ELECTED FINNISH PRESIDENT

HELSINKI, Wednesday (UP). — Premier Urho Kekkonen was elected President of Finland tonight by a wide coalition of Communists and anti-Communists.

Mr. Kekkonen won by a two-vote majority on the third ballot from the Social Democratic Party leader, Mr. Karl Fagerholm.

## The General Federation of Jewish Labour in Israel

Union of Engineers, Architects, Agronomists and Chemists Central Committee

A MEETING

of engineers, architects, agronomists and chemists will be held today, February 16, 1956, at 8 p.m. SHARP, in the Conference Room of the Vaad Hachinuch Building (93 Rehov Arlossoff), Tel. Aviv.

Agenda:

Significance of the Strike

Participants:

Pinhas Sapir—Minister of Commerce and Industry

Moshe Carmel—Minister of Transport

Aharon Becker—M.K. Head of the Histadrut Trade Union Department

You are invited to attend this meeting.

## Snow Brings Down Adenauer's Roof

BONN, Wednesday (UP). — Deep snow on the roof of the Chancellery crashed through the ceiling of Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's office today.

The Chancellor was summoned from a Cabinet meeting, and with the help of aides hastily moved to another room. Snow has fallen almost continuously in Bonn for the past week.

New snow covered most of the Continent last night and extended over the Eastern half of Britain. Rivers froze and harbours became ice-jammed as men and machines fought to relieve the cold's attendant misery. France and Italy were hardest hit.

The list of dead by country showed: France 129, Italy 106, Germany 58, Austria 11, Britain 39, Belgium 2, Switzerland 14, Yugoslavia 54, Denmark 29, Portugal 20, Greece 17, Sweden 15, Holland 12 and Turkey 17.

Israel Asks \$2.7m. In Damages From Bulgaria

Israel's claim for compensation arising out of the Bulgarian victims, damages suffered by El Al and by freight owners, Israel nationals. It amounts to \$2,668,858.

At the same time information was requested concerning the identity of those responsible for the disaster and their punishment, in accordance with the undertaking given in the Bulgarian Government's Note Verbale of August 4, 1953.

It is understood that the claims of nationals other than El Al and by freight owners, Israel nationals, will be made shortly by their countries.

Horowitz, Noted Jerusalemite, Dead

Mr. Solomon (Shalom) Horowitz, acknowledged leader of the Palestine Arab and one of Jerusalem's most prominent citizens, collapsed and died suddenly in the Jerusalem hospital in the midst of a discussion on Hebrew University matters with a member of the staff in the University's Administration Offices. He was 75.

The funeral will take place this morning at the Sanhedria Cemetery. The funeral procession will leave from Beit Shalom in Talbich Quarter at 11:30 a.m.

Mr. Horowitz was educated at the Manchester Grammar School and at St. John's College, Cambridge, where he took his degree with honours in Classics, Modern Philosophy and Law. He was called to the English Bar at the Inner Temple in 1907, and practised Common Law in Manchester until 1922.

In 1923 he settled in Jerusalem where he joined Mr. Harry Sacher's law office, which he subsequently took over, and soon won a countrywide reputation as an outstanding member of the legal profession and as a jurist of note. In the course of his practice, he did much to raise the standards of the profession by training many promising young men.

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## Gaza Guns Open Up On Israel-Bound Ship

GAZA, Wednesday (Reuter). — Egyptian shore batteries opened fire on a 2,000-ton Norwegian freighter bound for Israel which entered Egyptian territorial waters off Gaza.

The ship had stopped about 2½ km. off shore.

The vessel which was not damaged, was allowed to proceed after five hours. Investigations showed that she was bound for Jaffa to pick up oranges for Europe and had lost her bearings in heavy seas and fog.

The ship's name was withheld.

## ARMY PATROL FIRED ON NEAR BEERI

An Egyptian position opened fire yesterday afternoon on an Israeli post in the Beeri sector, near the Gaza Strip, the Army spokesman announced yesterday.

The Israeli soldiers, who suffered no casualties, returned the fire.

## The National Committee of Kupat Holim Doctors

hereby announces that it stands together with the Israel Medical Association, the physicians' professional organization, which is the only body entitled to call off the strike.

All notices in the press and on the radio announcing the date of the return to work of all doctors who are Histadrut members have been issued on the initiative of a small group of doctors who were not authorized to do so.

Why then continue to strike?

The majority of engineers who continued at work are distressed and resentful over the casting off of discipline in the ranks of the organization, and the breach in solidarity caused by the continued strike without any purpose or reason. The senior administrative officials have not joined this unhappy strike. Why do you continue to be led by the political aspirations of the Medical Association?

Call off the strike! Return to work!

Union of Engineers, Architects, Agronomists and Chemists

To the Striking Engineers!

We repeat our appeal to members who are striking:

Return to work immediately!

You have announced that the proposals for the payment of the delayed increases offer a basis for ending the strike.

Why then continue to strike?

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## West Ready to Act On Own Initiative in M.E.

By GEORGE LICHTHEIM, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON, Wednesday. — Following a day of confusion, the official position here now is that the Western powers are prepared to intervene in the Middle East with or without the consent of the countries concerned.

That, anyhow, is the interpretation put upon Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden's statement yesterday, which reaffirmed the original Tripartite Declaration that the three powers would "immediately" take action to prevent a violation of the Armistice Lines. A few hours earlier, Sir George Young, Chief Foreign Office spokesman, had told a crowded press conference that the Soviet Government was unjustified in charging the West with an intention to violate the U.N. Charter. His statement said: "There has been no question of sending forces to the Middle East countries without their consent."

Since there is no reference in the Tripartite Declaration to the consent of the countries concerned, the Foreign Office statement was interpreted by some correspondents as adding something new to the declaration, and for some hours confusion reigned.

Meanwhile, experienced observers quietly took the line that the statement probably meant nothing at all. This interpretation was proved correct a few hours later when Sir Anthony, in reply to Mr. Hugh Gaitskel, the Labour leader, and other questions they have not said so in the Washington declaration, the Western powers do in fact protest, with or without the consent of any country in the area.

Piece of Verbiage

Since this is precisely what was unofficially understood before Moscow came in with its warning, yesterday's Foreign Office statement is a piece of verbiage. Its only significance would seem to lie in the distinction between frontiers and armistice lines, or rather in the equivocal employment of both terms, from which anyone is free to infer that they are not the same or different things. This point escaped the attention of Opposition questioners in the Commons yesterday afternoon who were trying to discover whether the proposed Western intervention is to have a preventive character or is to occur after aggression has taken place. Sir Anthony left Mr. Emanuel Shinwell in doubt on this point, very likely because he himself was doubtful in the light of the Washington talks, what if anything will be done if the pot boils over.

Gaza Guns Open Up On Israel-Bound Ship

GAZA, Wednesday (Reuter). — Egyptian shore batteries opened fire on a 2,000-ton Norwegian freighter bound for Israel which entered Egyptian territorial waters off Gaza.

The ship had stopped about 2½ km. off shore.

The vessel which was not damaged, was allowed to proceed after five hours. Investigations showed that she was bound for Jaffa to pick up oranges for Europe and had lost her bearings in heavy seas and fog.

The ship's name was withheld.

ARMY PATROL FIRED ON NEAR BEERI

An Egyptian position opened fire yesterday afternoon on an Israeli post in the Beeri sector, near the Gaza Strip, the Army spokesman announced yesterday.

The Israeli soldiers, who suffered no casualties, returned the fire.

The National Committee of Kupat Holim Doctors

hereby announces that it stands together with the Israel Medical Association, the physicians' professional organization, which is the only body entitled to call off the strike.

All notices in the press and on the radio announcing the date of the return to work of all doctors who are Histadrut members have been issued on the initiative of a small group of doctors who were not authorized to do so.

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## Syria Attempting To Rally Arabs Against Israel

President Shukri Kuwaty of Syria yesterday appealed to political parties and parliamentarian blocs to unite in facing what he called increasing danger to Syria from Israel.

In a message read to parliament during a discussion on defence, he asked Deputies to drop their party differences temporarily so that they could "face the judgment of history courageously and with a tranquil conscience."

Kuwaty said he was prepared unconditionally to carry out any decisions Parliament might make in the interests of the nation. It is believed in Damascus that the Syrian Government may ask for the present session of parliament to be declared a "closed meeting" because of the importance of some of the matters which may be discussed.

Government leaders are expected to reveal to deputies information said to show "aggressive preparations" by Israel and to describe defence preparations which Syria is making jointly with her Arab allies, Egypt and Saudi Arabia. (Reuter, UP)

Israel Holding Up B'not Ya'akov Work

NEW YORK, Wednesday (INA). — A dispatch in "The New York Times" from its Jerusalem correspondent reports that Israel will hold up work on the Jordan River pending another attempt by the U.S. to get Arab political agreement on joint development of a Jordan Valley plan.

The decision eliminates, or at least postpones, one potential cause of a war this spring, the correspondent said.

He quoted Prime Minister Ben-Gurion as stating in an interview on Tuesday that plans for starting canal digging within the Demilitarized Zone along the Syrian frontier had been shelved for the time being. The decision was taken after an announcement from Washington that Mr. Eric Johnston would return to the Middle East shortly for new consultations with the Arab states and Israel on the Jordan project.

"If Mr. Johnston is coming we will give him time," Mr. Ben-Gurion is reported as saying. "If it can be done by agreement it will be better."

Little Hope for Peace

Apart from Mr. Johnston's intervention the Premier saw little hope for peace. He said Israel has been hearing Arab leaders make repeated declarations for a war against Israel. This had been going on for years, now there is a new factor: Soviet arms to Egypt. "This lends reality to such declarations," he said. "Our only hope at present is to get sufficient defensive arms."

The dominant fear at the moment is that the Egyptian Premier, Abdel Nasser, will launch an undeclared war by smashing Tel Aviv with new Soviet jet bombers. After a knock-out blow of Israeli officers. None of them believe the West would employ military force against Abdel Nasser.

Asked if he had any confidence in continuing tripartite talks between the U.S., Britain and France, Mr. Ben-Gurion replied "zero." He also brushed aside as unrealistic proposals that the Western powers send a joint force to the Middle East to police the area. "I don't think the U.S. would send troops out here. Why should American boys get killed fighting for Israel?" he asked. Similarly, he showed little faith in economic sanctions.

Mr. Ben-Gurion scoffed at Western fears that Israel wanted a preventive war. "That idea never entered our minds," he said.

Allen Sees 'Serious' Danger of War

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (UP). — Assistant Secretary of State George Allen said today there is "serious" danger of war in the Middle East, unless something is done to lessen explosive tensions.

His statement, one of the gloomiest yet by a high Government official on the Arab-Israeli issue, was made in an interview with British, French and American newsmen on the "Voice of America."

Mr. Allen said he never is willing to admit war anywhere is inevitable, but added: "It is likely that the states of that area with their present tense attitude could be involved in serious military operations... I think that the likelihood is serious."

Meanwhile, Britain, France and the U.S. today resumed their consultations here on the Middle East.

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Shalom Horowitz

The funeral procession will leave his home "Beit Shalom," 20 Ahad Ha'am, Talbich, Jerusalem, today, February 16, 1956, at 11:30 a.m.

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**THE WEATHER**

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Mt. Canaan	20	25	28	12
Tiberias	20	25	28	12
Haifa Port	20	25	28	12
Nazareth	20	25	28	12
Tel Aviv Kirya	20	25	28	12
Tel Aviv Port	20	25	28	12
Lydda Airport	20	25	28	12
Jerusalem	20	25	28	12
Beersheba	20	25	28	12
Eilat	20	25	28	12

\* A Humidity at 2 p.m. B) Minimum temperature. C) Maximum temperature. D) Maximum wind, expected today

**A COMPETITION** for the title of "The Safest Driver" of the Jerusalem District was announced recently by the National Council for Accident Prevention. Drivers may register until April 30 between 8.00 p.m. and 7.00 p.m. with Mr. H. Hershman, "Hahashish" Office, 14 Beasli St. telephone numbers 5009 and 3149.

**THE WHITE LINE** in the middle of Negov roads will be painted by a machine acquired from the U.S. by the Public Works Department. The first of its kind in the country, the machine will cover 500 metres a day compared to the 20 metres covered by a team working an eight-hour shift.

**THE FORTNIGHTLY** convoy went up to Mt. Scopus yesterday with supplies of food and fuel and accompanied by Hebrew University and Hadassah personnel.

**FOR STEALING** H.I. from a fellow porter, Emil Maman, 23, of Jerusalem was yesterday sentenced to a six-month term by the Jerusalem Magistrate.

**A SPECIAL POSTAL** agency is to be opened in Beit Hahin in Tel Aviv on Tuesday on the occasion of the Eighth Convention of the Histadrut. The post office will operate from 12.30 to 9 p.m. daily.

**SPRAYING** of the railway tracks between Haifa and Ben-Haim with a poisonous weed-killer will begin this week-end. Livestock owners are warned to keep their animals away from the danger area.

**A THIRD** passenger railcar set arrived from Germany yesterday. Seven are yet to come. Each set consists of three sections. They will be put on the runs to Jerusalem and Rehovot.

**FILMS, FLASH BULBS**, fountain pens and a curtain were stolen on Tuesday night from the study of Professor W. C. Lowdermilk on Mt. Carmel. The goods are valued at IL400.

**FOR NOT INFORMING** the regional war hospital was today demonstrated to the judge for the first time at the Amron radio factory, near Hertzliya. Mr. Shimon Elman, director of Amron, said that the equipment used for production is a separate unit which could be attached to any radio or record player. It would be manufactured later as part of a special Amron radio.

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## Prospects for Oil at Halutza As 'Heletz' Rock Found at 4,100 ft.

REHOVOT, Wednesday. — Hopes of finding oil soon in the Halutza drilling of the Benthelife Israel American Oil Corporation were expressed this evening after the drill had reached rock strata similar to those at Heletz One. The bit has reached 4,100 feet.

Halutza is some 20 kilometres southwest of Beersheba. Preparations are being made on the site for a strike and drilling is proceeding carefully, with tests made regularly. A layer of sand has been reached, promising oil in the offing. In the first well at Heletz, a similar formation was reached at 3,800 feet. For the past few days progress has been slow, through hard rock, but today the bit began moving more quickly as what is expected to be oil-bearing sand was approached.

**North and South**  
The Pan-Israel Oil Company will shortly begin drilling south of Heletz, a spokesman of the company said. The Jerusalem Post today. The company drilled to a depth of 9,000 feet without success in the Makhtesh Hagadol, near Haifa, the company has been to replace its equipment and will use a drill capable of boring to 10,000 feet. Drilling is also being conducted at Kfar Kanna and Kedma, and there are test drillings near Fajala. The Pontiac Petroleum Company began test drillings recently two kilometres east of Beersheba on the Negev road.

**CROSSING WATER WITHOUT BRIDGES**  
SOMEWHERE IN ISRAEL, Wednesday. — The Engineers Corps today demonstrated to army officers how waterways are crossed without bridges. Chief Moshe Zupak, O.C. Northern Command, and Chief Zvi Ayalon, retiring O.C. Central Command, were among those present at the demonstration which took place at one of the widest water courses in the country.

First a Kapok footbridge was assembled across the stream and soldiers — including a group of cadets of military schools — crossed it in both directions, then a trestleway for light cars was laid across a pontoon bridge made of collapsible assault boats. A landing raft, constructed from parts of collapsed boats, was also shown, and a floating Bailey bridge was demonstrated.

**To Increase Local Wheat Yield to Half the Need**  
The Agricultural Research Station in Rehovot is undertaking intensive studies to increase local production of wheat to 50 per cent of the country's needs, Mr. Yakov Mendel, of the Station, said yesterday.

The studies are in three separate fields: increasing the area under cultivation, introducing new wheat varieties, and increasing the use of better crop rotation using new types of wheat.

By reducing the area of barley under cultivation from 800,000 to 500,000 dunams, the output of wheat was raised from 20,000 to 50,000 tons. Experts believe that wheat should constitute 30 per cent of all grain crops. This would increase wheat tonnage to 50,000 tons.

Due to the local climate, a yield of 175 kilograms a dunam is considered good as compared with a yield of 200-300 kg. in northern Europe.

If local output can be raised to an average of 175 kg. a dunam, Israel can provide 50 per cent of its wheat needs. If other crops, such as corn, barley and sweet potatoes are mixed with wheat flour, Israel can produce 80 per cent of her flour needs.

**CHINESE TRADE GROUP DUE IN CAIRO**  
A Chinese trade mission, headed by the Minister of Commerce, is to arrive in Cairo next week for talks on the renewal of an agreement whereby China will purchase Egyptian cotton, ANA said yesterday.

**Kapfenberg Lose Second Game 2-1**  
TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The Israel Selected football team, containing most of the "probables" for the international match today gave an encouraging display, beating the Austrian team, Kapfenberg, by 2-1.

The visitors, playing pretty football, came up against a determined Israel defence. The Israeli inside-forwards, Stelmach, Kaufman and Selikowitz acted very well in combination, often threatening the Kapfenberg goal. They would have scored more were it not for the fine goalkeeping of Fuchsichler, and some very near misses. The home side opened strongly and by the sixth minute outside-right Israeli opened the scoring, converting a nice movement in the centre of the field. Continued pressure brought no further goals and the score stood at 1:0 at the interval.

In the second half, the Israelis appeared with several changes, part of trainer Gibbons policy to see as many international "probables" in action against foreign opponents. After 10 minutes, Blum placed a 20-metre free kick onto the head of inside-right Selikowitz, who kicked it into the net. The Austrians replied with some loose movements, keeping the ball rolling along the turf with short passes, and in the 70th minute were awarded a penalty in which centre-half Koller easily found the back of the net.

Kapfenberg played well below the form they showed in their first game at Petah Tikva on Sunday. They appeared tired, and were hardly surprising, as they have played 15 games in the past 60 days.

Some 10,000 fans saw the match played at the Jaffa Ha-pool ground. The visitors are to play their third match at 3.30 tomorrow afternoon at the Municipal Stadium in Haifa against the Hafia Maccabi XI reinforced by player Moshe Litvak of Rehovot.

**KILLED BY BUS**  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
Hatum Ben-Sasson, 27, was run over and crushed to death by a Hamekasher bus in Jerusalem yesterday. The woman, who had only one arm, was the mother of a 14-year-old child. Ben-Sasson, 14-year-old, was killed when she was struck by the bus at the beginning of December. She maintained herself by begging.

## Police Check Books Of Water Co., Lapidot

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The police are investigating suspected irregularities in the accounts of Mifal Hapayim Ltd., the Sole Book and Jewish Agency owned water works, it was reported today.

Although the police refused to reveal details of the investigation, company sources said that a review of the accounts in January had shown irregularities. Some 10 days ago, the company called the police and a "careless" accountant to check the books.

It is not known whether there has been embezzlement or whether merely technical mistakes had been made. Police and accountant reports are expected within the next few days.

Meanwhile, the Lapidot Oil Company asked the police at noon today to investigate suspected embezzlement of company funds. It was learned from a Criminal Investigation Department source that the secretary of the company, Mr. Shalom Ron, had had a nervous breakdown and is in hospital.

**Argentine Envoy Meets the Press**  
TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The Government and the people of Argentina have a sympathetic interest in Israel, the Argentine Ambassador, Dr. G. Topolovski, said on meeting the press today.

Last year's revolution in his country took a long time to prepare, the Ambassador said. It was the expression of the people's love of freedom, and was effected by the people with the best elements in the army. Quoting the President Aramburo, the Ambassador said that rumours are fought by giving the press the largest possible freedom.

**CARMEL VISITS SOUTH AMERICANS**  
The Minister of Transport, Mr. Moshe Carmel, yesterday visited three settlements in the South settled by Latin Americans. The settlements are Mefalim, Kisufim and Kibbutz Kfar Haim.

At Kibbutz Kfar Haim, he promised his Ministry's help in obtaining spare parts for the local bus. He also promised to set up a quality product to meet local needs.

**RAMATI MAY DIRECT JERUSALEM ECONOMY**  
The appointment of Mr. Ramati as director of the proposed Development, Economic and Tourism Department in the Jerusalem Municipality was announced at a meeting of the Municipal Executive. The appointment must be approved by the Council, which has already agreed to set up the Department.

Mr. Ramati was formerly director of the Government Glass and Kailin Company.

**GEN. SHUKRI INSPECTS EGYPT-ISRAEL BORDER**  
General Shawkat Shukri, Syrian Chief of Staff, inspected the Israel-Egyptian Armistice lines from the air on Tuesday afternoon. He was accompanied by ANA reported last night after a three-day visit to Cairo to consult with Egyptian army leaders.

**CONTROLLER**  
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A general change in procedure. Arrangements have been made for dealing with cases where a suspicion of a criminal act exists in the course of an investigation by the Controller's Office. In such cases the employee of the Controller's Office must be advised by the legal adviser of the Office. Criminal cases will be referred to the Attorney General or the police.

An amendment to the State Controller's Law was proposed to the Knesset yesterday by Dr. Y. Badar (Herut) in a motion for the agenda. It would make the Controller responsible to a special Knesset committee, instead of the Finance Committee, as at present, to which the Controller would submit a report at least once a month.

It would also require that the Controller's annual report be submitted to the President, Minister and to the committee on the same date, and would authorize the publication of any reports submitted by the Controller to the committee.

Prime Minister Ben-Gurion, replying in his capacity of Acting Minister of Justice, said with a smile that he had not really had an opportunity to study the draft amendment. "I am a new comer to the job, which I hope, I shall not have to keep long," he said.

Mr. Badar's application, as well as the difficulties in the release of the report for publication, are attributed to an investigation by the Foreign Ministry for reasons of political expediency. Neither of these, it is emphasized, were concerned with critical observations made by the Controller and one, in fact, consisted of an observation that a government agency had been unexpectedly successful in carrying out a mission.

Owing apparently to these last-minute changes, it had been intended to postpone the tabling from the official date of February 15 until February 20, next Monday, when the Knesset meets again. In that case the press would have received his copies on Friday, and no further difficulty was anticipated.

Mr. Haim Cohen, gave an opinion that the tabling of a single copy of the Report to the Knesset Speaker fulfilled the formal condition of "tabling" and despite some divergent views this procedure was adopted. At a later meeting between the Controller, Dr. S. Moshe, and the press it was pointed out that once the Report is tabling, it is released for publication, and that this would result in a general scramble to discover its contents before the tabling is distributed. To prevent this, Dr. Moshe agreed to distribute the document photo-mech.

**NEW POST OFFICE FOR BEERSHEBA**  
BEERSHEBA, Wednesday. — Building is to begin in April on a telephone exchange and central post office in the new centre here, the Postmaster-General, Mr. H. Ben-Menahem, told The Jerusalem Post today.

Mr. Ben-Menahem said that the telephone cable from Tel Aviv would be completed within a few months and the automatic telephone exchange would be operating within a year.

## Premier Says Toubi Exploits Immunity

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter  
The report of the committee studying military rule will be submitted next week, the Prime Minister told the Knesset yesterday.

Mr. Ben-Gurion was replying to a motion for the agenda by Mr. Toubi (Communist) calling for a debate on the freedom of movement and the curbing of military rule. The motion was rejected, receiving only Communist support.

Mr. Toubi charged that security demands were used as an excuse for curtailing the Arab's freedom of movement. He cited instances where travel permits had been denied, and said that the Arab minority would not continue to accept a status of "second-class citizens."

The Prime Minister moved that the motion be struck from the agenda in view of the fact that the committee's report would soon be submitted to the Knesset.

But in a sharp retort, he called "Toubi's" charge that the Government intended to expropriate the land of 14 Arab villages. Mr. Toubi certainly knew to what such charges would be put by his Government, he said.

Mr. Toubi was going too far in his exploitation of his immunity, Mr. Ben-Gurion declared. (Mr. Wilner: "Is that a threat?") There must be a limit to what a Knesset Member permits himself to say under the mask of Arab-Jewish unity, the Prime Minister said.

**Missions and Mekorot**  
Rabbi Z. Ben-Ya'acov (Agudat Yisrael) raised the question of missionary activity. But he agreed to Mr. Ben-Gurion's suggestion that the study of the problem by the Knesset Education Committee together with the public committee already in existence should be more effective than a Knesset debate.

A motion by Mr. I. Rokach (General Zionists) calling for a debate on the purchase of oil for the purchase of oil was defeated by 15-13. The motion was to be considered at a later date.

**80% of Arab Accounts Freed**  
By GIDEON WEIGERT  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
More than 80 per cent of the estimated 100,000 blocked Arab accounts in Israel banks have already been freed. The release of these accounts was begun in December, 1954.

By the middle of February, the amount paid over was IL3,500,000. A breakdown shows that by January 31, IL15m. went to Jordan; IL600,000 to the Lebanon; IL450,000 to Syria; IL750,000 to Egypt; IL200,000 to the Hashemite Kingdom of Iraq; and IL150,000 to other countries.

When the scheme began, there were 143 safety deposit boxes registered in the names of Arab refugees. Of these, 94 have been turned over to the U.N. which transferred them to the owners. Of the 134 boxes deposited with banks, 374 applications have been received.

So far, 21 parcels and 197 pouches with Palestine Bearer Bonds and 115 pouches with other certificates and documents have been released.

**HAIFA** — A coroner's jury in Haifa, England, ruled yesterday that the death of a young man, who had been killed by a beam in his home because he feared that he was going bald.

**HOROWITZ**  
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graduates in his own office. He retired from active work at the Bar in 1940.

Mr. Horowitz served as legal adviser to Haim Arlosoroff, Pinchas Rutenberg's founder of the Palestine Electric Corp.

His keen devotion to the public welfare and his love of the fine arts found expression in the years in which he was active in public affairs. It may be noted that, during the Arab riots in 1929 he served, together with Mordechai Anav, on a committee appointed temporarily to represent and act for the Zionist Executive, whose members were chosen by the Jewish Agency in Zurich at which the Jewish Agency was established.

He also appeared as one of the counsel of the Jewish Agency during the hearings held by the Commission sent from London to investigate the causes of the disturbances of 1929.

Interest in higher education led Mr. Horowitz to take a prominent part in the affairs of the Hebrew University for over 20 years. He was a member of the Board of Governors of its Executive Council, and its Permanent Committee which is responsible for the day-by-day administration on all of which he was active up to the last.

Only the day before his death, in fact, he attended a meeting of the Executive Council in which he participated with his usual vigor and alertness, and his presence yesterday in the University's Administration offices, where he died, was the last of his active participation in the running of the University.

Mr. Horowitz's keen intellect and marked powers of analysis, combined with his courage and integrity, earned him the deep respect of all who came in contact with him. They were qualities which enabled him to make a particularly valuable contribution to the running of the University, as did his vast legal knowledge and experience. As chairman of the University's Legal Committee he rendered it an outstanding service.

Mr. Horowitz was chairman of the former Board of Trustees of the Henrietta Reid Foundation for Child and Youth Welfare, and until recently was a member of the Hadassah Council for Israel. He was also a Trustee of the Daniel Sieff Institute in Rehovot.

## Russia Said Planning Jewish Purge Trials

The Associated Press reports from Berlin, quoting Eastern sources, that the second step in Russia's drive to penetrate the Middle East is preparation by the secret police of purge trials of Jews in the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia. The first move was the sale of arms to Egypt by Czechoslovakia last summer.

The Soviet move is said to be designed to discredit pro-Israel elements inside the Communist Party in order to bolster Russian prestige in the Arab world. A Communist source has confirmed Israel charges that hundreds of Jews are in prison on a general charge of "Zionism" and are to go on trial next month in Moscow, and in Prague shortly after.

According to both Communist and Israel sources, the Russian courts will set out to prove that certain Jews, some of them highly placed in Soviet affairs, worked for the creation of the State of Israel against Communist interests.

An Israel living in Prague said that half of the city's 6,000 Jews are at present in jail. The trials are seen there as an aftermath of the Slansky affair in 1952. Czech authorities are expected to bring out that Slansky's crime was not alone, but that he was a "Zionist," a loyalty to a cause other than Communism and therefore treasonable.

Similar anti-Jewish cases may be prepared in Hungary and Rumania, it was said. Poland has resisted the campaign, and is reported to have advised Moscow through Cominform channels that the entire campaign is a mistake.

**Cables in Brief**  
STORM. — Millions of dollars worth of damage was caused and at least one person was drowned when a flash flood yesterday struck the business centre of Hot Springs, Arkansas, a holiday resort now crowded with tourists.

**PROFESSOR**. — Dr. John Franklin, a Negro history professor, will head the History Department at Brooklyn College, New York. He is the first Negro chosen to become chairman of an academic department in any of New York's municipal colleges.

**MCCARTHY**. — A \$100,000 damage suit brought five years ago by the Washington columnist, Drew Pearson, against Senator Joseph McCarthy and others has been dropped by agreement among the lawyers, who declined to say whether there was a cash settlement.

**DAN BUSES TRY NEW LOOKS**  
TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Much public comment has been aroused by the new dress of Dan buses. Their yellow, beige, and yellow and green, are experimental, and a five-man public committee is to decide shortly on the basis of public opinion, which is the most suitable colour for the whole fleet.

The new coats will be locally made synthetic enamel paint, on the advice of Mr. R. J. Glascock, bus transport adviser of U.S.O.M. The new look costs no more and takes off some years," he said. The synthetic enamel paint keeps the surface glossy for three to five years and is easier to clean.

The first dozen of the 94 Royal Tiger Leyland buses to supplement the Dan fleet are to arrive in Haifa on Friday on the a.s. Prince Tudor.

**GEZA ANDA ONLY PIANO RECITAL IN TEL AVIV**  
SATURDAY, Feb. 18, at 8.30 "Ohel Shem" Hall  
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